



[DISCUSSION QUESTIONS]

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Why We Go
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Read: Matthew 28:19-20

How does the Great Commission given by Jesus in these verses shape our purpose as Christians? What are practical ways we can “make disciples of all nations” in our local context?

Read: Acts 1:8

How does the promise of receiving power from the Holy Spirit encourage us in our own witness? How does worship, preaching, baptizing, observing the Lord’s Supper, etc. contribute to the church’s mission? Why is it important for a church to be involved in sending and supporting missionaries?

Read: Acts 13:1-2

What can we learn from the church at Antioch about the importance of prayer and fasting in discerning God’s call for missions? How can our church emulate the Antioch church in identifying and sending missionaries?

Read: Acts 13:3

What does the act of laying hands on missionaries signify about the church’s role in missions? How does this practice strengthen the relationship between missionaries and their sending church?

Read: Acts 14:27

Why is it important for missionaries to report back to their local church? How does hearing reports of what God is doing through missionaries impact our faith and involvement in missions? How can we effectively pray for the specific needs of missionaries such as their marriages, family life, cultural adaptation, and strategic relationships with other leaders?

Read: 2 Corinthians 8:1-4

How does the example of the Macedonian churches challenge us to give generously, even in difficult times? What does it mean to give “beyond our ability” and how can we practice this kind of generosity? Why is financial support crucial for the success of mission work?

In what ways can short-term mission trips grow our hearts for the world and deepen our love for Christ? How can short-term mission trips encourage our long-term missionaries and strengthen their ministry? Why is it important to assure that our financial contributions are being used in a way to maximize our impact in various mission fields?

What are some specific actions you feel called to take in supporting or participating in missions? How can we, as a church community, grow in our commitment to reaching the ends of the earth with the Gospel?